Pulse of Western Progress.

ographer, has made the sensational discovery, mays a recent press dispatch, that the

tains, west of Helery's lake, Idaho, and at a point bordering the boundary between that

state and Montana. The ministure river at its commencement striving to secure existence from the inner walls of the surrounding volcasic vents, near perpetual snow banks, has by its eroding capacity cut its way out from that rusged and precipitous mountain uplift of enormous size until a salid rock of mountain has been sev-ered in twain, a canyon formed and assumthe proportions of a river from the flowage of innumerable creeks coming into the side, renones the valleys below, flowing into and through upper Red Rock lake, twenty miles from its source in the mountains, thence westwardly, northerly and northeastwardly, past Red Butte and Beaver Head Rock to Three Forks, thence to the Missouri and thence to the Gulf of Mexico, through and past thirteen states, a distance of 4,221 miles. ARPESIAN WELL REGION.

Miner county, South Dakota, is justly proud of her ability to produce artesian wells and there is not a county in the state that has more artesian wells in operation than Minor county, says a Canova dispatch to the Stoux Falls Argus-Loader. There is hardly a farm, that has a good thrifty owner, in the west half of Miner county that has not a good flowing well on it that furnishes plenty of good water for stock and house use with-out the necessity of pumping it, and a great many of them flow water enough for irrigating purposes, some few farmers using the water last year to irrigate small patches of ground for the purpose of experimenting to see what could be done, and in most in-stances it proved very satisfactory, the ground being mostly planted to garden truck. The arresian wells of this county vary in depth, some of thom giving a good flow at a depth of fifty-five feet, but the average depth is about 250 feet. The average amount of flow is about 2,500 barrels per day, some of them flowing about 4,000 barrels per day, and forming some very nice little lakes from which it is very convenient to put up lee in winter and some of these lakes begin to furnish very nice fish. There is no trrigating being done in this section of country this spring. Nature has given so much rain that it is not necessary to irrigate during CONCESSIONS FROM MEXICO.

C. P. Huntington has just received from the Mexican government a concession of great value in behalf of his Mexican Interspecial to the San Francisco Chronicle. During each period of two years from the promulgation of the comract in May, 1896, the company must construct at least 200 kilometers of railroad, and the lines stated in the contract must be all completed before May, 1996. There is to be a fine of \$15,900 in national securities for each year in which the company does not live up to these terms. In consideration of the fact that the contract carries no subsidy, the Mexican gov-ernment agrees not to subsidize any other line paralleling the present line of the International, or located within forty kilometers of it.
The new roads which the company binds

itself to build are as follows: From the City of Mexico to Piedras Negras; from a point on the main line to some port on the Gulf of Mexico, between Matamoras and Ver Cruz, and from a point on the main line to a Pacific port between Mazatian and Zihuatanejo. The road is to have the right of building branches not exceeding 170 kiloof building branches not exceeding 170 kilo-meters in length to any of the above new These are plans that will affect all railway enterprises in Mexico to an important

SECTION LINES PUBLIC HIGHWAYS. A series of interesting litigations is about be commenced by the South Dakota auto be commenced by the South Dakota au-thorities at Yankton, to test the validity of "If that country," said Mr. Harr's, "was an act of the territorial legislature of 1871, by which all section lines are declared to be public highways, and the owners of adjacent land required to throw them open to the public for use as public highways, and adjacent land required such. Until a short time ago, says a Sloux City special to the St. Paul Pioneer-Press, this law seems to have been overlooked, the cost of opening the roads has been a considerable item in the past. Quite recently the Yankton county commissioners stumbled on the old statute authorizing them to appro-priate the necessary land for the roads without recompensing the owners and determined to enforce it. The owners maintain that their patents from the government embrace each a certain number of acres from given points, wave the state has no right to confiscate their land without payment.

LEDGE IMMENSELY RICH.

One of the notable mining strikes of the

the Night.

Some time ago Henry Roberts of Hackberry, owner of the Queen of the Night, bonded the property to J. K. Patton, a well known fining man. Development has been vigorously prosecuted, and the shaft had reached a depth of about ninety feet, when a ledge of free-mill ore was opened up that beats anything ever seen in Vanderbilt, or, per-haps, on the Colorado river. The ledge is between three and three and a half feet

between three and three and a hair test wide, and averages \$465 to the ton.

After taking out about fifty tons of ore, most of which was sacked, Mr. Patton at once struck out for Hackberry, hunted up Roberts, closed the deal and returned with the deed to the property in his possession. While in Needles Mr. Patton exhibited several large chunks of ore taken from the ledge. They were literally full of wire gold, probably as rich as any ever seen in Southern California. The metal in some places stood out in strings as large as fence wire.

WILL BEAT COMSTOCK. The steam schooner Albion, which recently took a party of tourists and miners from San Francisco to Cooks Inlet, has arrived,

Colonel J. V. Brower, Minnesota state ge-1 says a Port Townsend dispatch to the San

source of the Missouri river is not Red Rock lake, Montana, as has been stated.

Colonel Brower has explored the whole region of the upper Missouri and now makes public the result of his discoveries.

He says the longest upper branch of the Missouri does not flow through the lower Red Rock lake in Montana, but comes from a hole in the mountains, volcanic in its character, at the summit of the Rocky mountains are to the lower and the mountains, and as a local bay and at a local bay for a couple of the whole result of the Missouri does not flow through the lower who were bound for Six-mile creek have determined to remain at Coal Bay.

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"As to the other sections of the country." said Pennock, "I have nothing to say; but if we haven't struck a patch that will put the amous Comstock wealth in the shade, then I miss my reckoning. We have located a limities number of prospects, and if there's a quare yard or earth within its boundaries that will not yield a dollar, then I'll confess to an untruth and give the fellow who catches me \$1,000. Most of the land has been figured out to pan \$3 to the square yard. As we have miles and miles it's easy to see hat we will make fortunes.

"That the entire country is rich there is not the slightest doubt, but a man should not think of venturing without providing himself with a first-class outfit, together with sufficient ready money to maintain himself while there and more important to pay his fare home again should he not meet with

Dr. Walker tells a good story concerning the introduction of horses to the natives. Himself and two others made a trip inland on horses taken up on the Excelsion

At the first Indian village the sight of the horses drove all the dogs howling into the woods. The children dropped their rude playthings and fled crying into the buts. The men and women stood their ground, although n open-eyed wonder. After much induce ment they were finally prevalled upon to ap-proach the horses and their wonder knew no bounds. No amount of persuasion would induce them to mount.

COLVILLE RESERVE MINERALS.

The maps which have been issued of the Colville reservation, while in the main cor rect, says the Spokane Review, contain many inaccuracies regarding trails, watercourses, location of prominent mountains, etc., which | members were absent on furlough, reaching the mineral section. Harry Stoger, ship 140 receive pensions, amounting to an who has been all over the country between the Columbia river and the boundary line.

With improvements now to be made, the says that a wagon road up the Sans Poil can be built at a moderate expense, and that it will be possible for up to the says that a wagon road up the says Poil of the says that a wagon road up the Sans Poil of the says that it will be possible for up to the says that a wagon road up the Sans Poil of the says that a wagon road up the Sans Poil of the says that a wagon road up the Sans Poil of the says that a wagon road up the Sans Poil of the says that a wagon road up the Sans Poil of the says that a wagon road up the Sans Poil of the says that a wagon road up the Sans Poil of the says that a wagon road up the Sans Poil of the says that a wagon road up the Sans Poil of the says that a wagon road up the Sans Poil of the says the says the says that a wagon road up the says the sa that it will be possible for one team to haul 2,500 pounds of freight to Bonaparte moun-tain, and west to the Okanogan and north to the mines near Boundary mountain. This road would be one of easy grade, following the watercourses. The settlers offer to build the road from a point east of the Okanogan to the forks of the Sans Poil if outsiders will construct the road from the Columbia river to join their road at the forks. This route would make a splendld railroad grade from the mouth of the Sans Poil to the Okanogan On Invas creek there is a large outcrop o excellent coal, and if a railroad is ever built in that country it must pass close to it. There are bodies of iron ore at Curlew lake which will run 75 per cent metallic Iron, and native copper has been found south of the country now opened up. There has not been much mining on the reservation as yet, the backward season having interfered with operations. There is mineral in al-most every section of the reserva-tion, the character of the ore being similar to that of Boundary and Trail creeks. There is free milling gold west to-ward the Okanogan. The distance from the Columbia river to Mount Bonaparte is about seventy-five miles and to Curlew lake about eighty miles.

BELKNAP INDIAN RESERVATION. Jake Haris of Landucky, who was in town the other day, says the Helena Independent, claims the principal object of his vist was to learn something about the status of the bill for the opening of the mountainous portlo the Fort Belknap Indian reservation. bill as amended, he said, would make it satis been long waiting for the lands to be thrown

within reasonable distance of a railroad, o and of a town of any eize, there would be a great rush there. But it is more than 390 mile. from the capital of the state and forty-five miles from the nearest railroad. Harlem i the closest point, but all of the ore so far shipped out goes to Chinook, which necescounty commissioners making a practice of sitates a haul of ninety miles. It costs to mine, freight and ship to the smelter Little lines for use as roads. This expense and the Rockies ore \$48 a ton, so you see the rock Rockies ore \$48 a ton, so you see the rock must be rich to pay expenses. No outside capital, to any extent, has gone into the country to develop the mines, and what has been done to show what the mines are is due to the efforts of the miners. Just now but little mining is being done; the men are hard up, and a number of them are helping the sheep men so as to get ready money. When they get a few dollars together they will be back at their prospects again. There is consider able placer ground on that portion of the reservation which is to be opened, and some o it is known to be rich. There is no questlor as to the wealth of the quartz leads. year is that just reported from Vanderbilt, they call low grade ore runs about \$30 to the big camp in the northeastern part of the ton, and in the Alabama they have a this county, says a San Bernardino dispatch streak of ore that runs about \$300. This rich to the San Francisco Chronicle. A new body of ore has just been struck in the Queen of that is rock which will average \$30 a ton. and they have not struck the hanging wall Somebody is going to make money up there. I am not interested in any mines

there, but I have lived in the country several years and I know what it is." THIRD WHALE OF THE SEASON. Captain Henry Schaufele's crew of the Monterey Whaling company captured the third whale of the season in the bay here, says a Monterey dispatch to the San Francisco Call. It was taken after a lively strug-gie, and old time whalers say the catch was the neatest piece of work in that line they ever saw. The cetacean was sighted off Mussel Point at 7 o'clock a. m.

The whaling company's boat was at once launched, having on board Captain Pedro, his son, Fernando, Manuel Morales, John King, Robert Williams and John Freitas. By moving carefully they rowed to within a few feet of the monster before it at-tempted to get away. Then the sport be-

Only one harpoon was used, but the blow proved effective. In a twinkling the boat was being dragged through the water at the rate of thirty miles an hour. The line

Francisco Call. Aboard the Albion as passengers were H. Pennock and Dr. Walker, members of the party who went north on members of the party who went north on the water. It was then towed to this city, and strong at the top of the water. It was then towed to this city, and strong with the prize at noon, the water. It was then towed to this city, the crew arriving with the prize at noon. The humpback whale is the most profitable of its species, and this particular one is said to be the finest ever caught in Monterey bay. It is over forty feet long, fat and unity looking, though its owners prize it as a beauty.

THE DAKOTAS.

Peter Fleisner, who lives a mile northwest of Howard, S. D., had a sow that gave birth to a litter of pigs, seven in number, one of which has six legs. The extra two legs project from behind the hams and extend nearly to the ground-another fortune in freaks. The contract for sinking a six-inch artesian The contract for sinking a six-inch artesian well at Crow Creek agency has been awarded. The well is intended to furnish power for operating the agency grist mill, an electric light plant, the blacksmith and wagen shop, and all other machinery, besides supplying the agency school and other buildings with water. Work upon the well will

gin within the next six weeks. The State Immigration association has isseed a map of South Dakota, showing by distinct colors the natural geological and climatic divisions of the state. It shows clearly to any observer the true relations of the various parts of the state, tells him at a glance the resources and differences of the four portions divided by nature, and in conise descriptions under each division gives

him just the information he desires. The steamer Rosebud, owned by the Benton Transportation company, sank in twenty-five feet of water at Bismarck the other day. The boat is sunk beyond recovery, and the portable goods in the vessel have been removed. Some time ago the boat was landed top of some pling by a sudden drop in the water. This is given as a cause for the accident. The boat cost about \$20,000, and was not insured. It was built for passenger traffic, and in the season was largely patron-

ized by pleasure parties The report of the Soldiers' home at Hot Springs will show that since the home was established, in 1890, a total of 407 members have been admitted; of that number, up to April 1, 1896, 199 members had been honorably discharged and eight had been dishonerably discharged. The total number in the home on April 4 was 145, and twenty are apt to be misleading to the prospector has been a total of thirty-five deaths since and throw him out in his calculations in the home opened. Of the present member-

> the world, with a daily capacity for stamping 1,600 tons of rock. It has been announced that the company is to double its Homestake mill, which now has 100 stamps, and work has begun on the improvement. The company new has 400 provement. The company new has 400 stamps in use, and recent work in the 800-foot level has shown the gold-bearing vein there to be 435 feet wide. There are over 7,000,000 tons of mineralized rock in sight in the developed portions of the mine, making its ore body the greatest of any gold mine in the world.

> A party of surveyors has been working in the western part of Polk county, a few miles west of Grand Forks, N. D., and their movements have been shrouded in mystery. It appears now, however, that the party is one sent out by the Great Northern Railroad company to locate a new branch which the company expects to build this summer. The line will start somewhere between Fisher and Mallory, and run north through Huntsville, Sullivan, Northland and Sandville townships, and on about fifteen miles into Marshall ounty. This will tend to attract a great deal of rade which was once taken from the Great Northern by the Keystone spur of the Northern Pacific, and will also tap a section which has heretofore been tributary the river, and from which wheat could be transferred to the Northern Pacific at this

COLORADO. New buildings under way at Cripple Creek are estimated in value at \$796,300.

A strike of \$200 ore is reported from the Orphan May on the top of Bull hill at Victor. A stage line will be run from Pine Creek to Kingstown and many people are going in to the new town.

Free gold has been discovered at a depth ten feet in the Little Lila at Pine Creek The assay shows \$86.40. A strike was recently made in the Leadville mine, back of Aspen, showing ore in

some instances assaying as high as 1,390 ounces to the ton in silver. A four-inch vein of tellurium, which yields over \$7,000 to the ton, is reported as having been found in one of the properties on Ironclad hill at Victor, but as yet no particulars have

been obtained. A great strike was made on the Mary S. Black canon, at Pine Creek, owned by Fry & Reynolds, on Saturday last. A veln of ore was discovered at a depth of twenty-

nine feet which runs \$293 per ton. The new district, Twelve Mile, has a new town named Kingstown. It boasts of 150 eople in camp, three stores, a restaurant and hotel and a large boarding house. The road

to Twelve Mile will be completed soon. Prospecting is being actively carried on in the new gold fields near Salida, in Chaffee county, especially in the Bear creek district which comprises a mineral belt extending from the head waters of the creek, six miles

southeast of Salida, to the old Silver Lead district, three miles south of the city. Reports from Gree ey say that Paul Gizer came in from the new mining camp on the Buckhorn, west of Loveland, bringing with him a remarkably beautiful sample of free gold-bearing quartz found in that region. The

result is that another mining excitement on here that promises to eclipse that of some four weeks ago. Tipps and Hamilton, at a depth of thirty feet on the Lizzie Bell property at West Creek, have exposed a thin streak of jasper quartz which runs \$220 to the ton claim is located in the lime belt, north of Manitou park and Torrington. The shaft is now being timbered, and when this work is

to widen out as depth is gained, will be followed. The big gold strike made by Bob Portous in the Lloyd lode at Ouray has developed into a whale and has caused more excitement than any strike made in this district for th past few years. The site where the lode was located was staked off when the news of the strike and its locality became known. Men who bave examined the stuff taken from it

completed the streak, which is expected

made in southern Colorado. The vein is five feet between walls, and first fifteen inches of white quartz, carrying free gold in large quantifies, as well as a large amount of el-

ver-bearing quartz. Intense excitement has been caused at Gil-Intense excitement has been mens from two test by the exhibition of specimens from two test by the exhibition of specimens from two different parts of Oil greek; which will run into the thousands. One, a sugar lost quartz, was brought in by T. F. Hughes, a well known mining man. The specimen had been roasted and the rock was studded with gold. The other was a true spivanite specimen weighing three pounds, and was taken from a thirty-foot shaft, in whiteh the pay atreak is about twenty-two inches, wide.

WYOMING. Thirty new locations have been made in the Cooper Hill district.

A cyanide plant will be creeted at Atlantic City to treat the South Pass ores. The report from viewers of the road from Laramie to Hahn's peak is not encouraging. It is said the road will not be passable on account of snow until the 1st of June.

There is trouble brewing between the sheepmen and the employes of shippers of trail cattle, in the vicinity of Orin Junction. The sheepmen charge the cattlemen with cutting fences and herding their cattle on relosed meadows.

The Green River Fuel and Oil company owner of the soda well at Green River City has let a contract for the construction of has let a contract for the considerable wats for the purpose of making sal soda. The vats will be sixteen feet long by ten feet wide and six inches deep. It is expected that \$100 worth of soda per day will the product of the well.

With the advent of spring, the resources of the Big Horn Basin country are being rapidly developed, and everything points toward a season of prosperity in that section of the state the coming summer. The latest ews from there says that large acreages of grain are being sown, scores of prospectors are daily flocking in, and arrangements are being made to advertise the agricultural and mineral resources to the large concourse of eastern excursionists who will pass through the basin on their way to the National park this summer. OREGON.

It costs Coos county \$146 to send an in-sane patient to the asylum. During 1895 the Beach mines of Curry ounty produced 324 ounces of gold dust. Rogue river has fallen sufficiently to allow to be resumed, and the boats have

started out again. Along Panther creek, in the Benton county foothills, they are picking strawberries these ays out of snowdrifts

The sheep raisers of Antelope have had good lambing, and expect to shear an inusually large crop of wool this season.

Up to date about 500,000 pounds of wool has been received at the Arlington ware-houses, and probably nearly as much more will be handled there before the close of the season.

Digger squirrels are destroying a good many young turkeys in the neighborhood of Calapoola, in Douglas county. Al Good-man followed a squirrel to its hole, where he found twenty of his young turkeys stored away. The shipments last year from Jefferson

were 2,998 tons, all told. There were 798 tons spuds, 661 bales hops, 2,727 boxes green prunes, 2,123 boxes dried prunes, 1,236 sacks dried fruits, 60,000 bushels wheat, 30,000 bushels oats.

The Farmers' irrigating ditch, the main ditch in the Malheur Valley, broke recently and the share owners succeeded in getting nearly mended when the fresh earth washed away in defiance of their efforts to stop it. They are working on it again, and will doubtless have it as good as new.

A correspondent of athay Eugene Guard. who crossed the Cascade mountains by the military route March 20 last and May 1. found fifteen feet of snow on the summit on the first trip and twenty feet the second, and May I it was still snowing. He thinks this means high water about the middle of

WASHINGTON. About one ton of Quinzult salmon is being shipped daily from Aberdeen. William Hume of the Eagle Cliff cannery, who is canning 4-cent fish, reports the catch the lightest since 1864.

The managers of the Spokane fruit fair, to

be held in October, are trying to arrange for a mining exhibit in connection with it. Large quantities of potatoes are going to waste again this spring in Kittlas for the want of a market, says the Ellensburg Lo-Piling is being driven at Fort Canby for

the new life-saving quarters. Great difficulty is experienced in driving them, on account According to the Blaine Republican, that blace is soon to beast of an ostrich farm. The pen is now under construction, and two well known citizens have taken the gravel for feed. All it needs, evidently, are

the ostriches. It is expected, if present arrangements are carried out that the campery at Blaine will be well under construction, if not completed, by the 1st day of June next. The cannery will have a capacity of at least 500 cases per day, utilizing two retorts and other paraphernalia for a cannery of this

capacity. The Castle Rock Advocate claims that the largest cherry tree in the state stands on the farm of Thomas Carney, ten miles above hat place, on the Cowlitz river, E. H. Whalley, who was at the Carney place, took the pains to measure the trunk of the tree four feet above the ground. It measured ven feet and eleven inches in circumfer-

A site for a cannery has been leased in Aberdeen by M. Herrick, the Columbia river anneryman, who, it is understood, will oc-upy the property with a salmon cannery juipped to pack the fall run of fish on a ore extensive scale than has any previous annery on the harbor. This is good news good for our fishermen and good for our

Oakdale is now without a creamery. After persistent efforts by the citizens, who lared for nearly a year and gave a cash bonus of \$400 to secure a creamery, the who would derive the most benefit from the hall enterprise, neglected to make preparations to furnish milk, and, after waiting several months for farmers to bring milk, an offer was accepted from the farmers living near Sunset, eighteen miles west of Oakdale, and the plant was removed there.

The case of leprosy that has been discovered the county, and not very easy to decide what shall be done with the man. There is a lazar-Dominion government. Possibly the institu-tion would receive the unfortunate man. Mayor pronounce it one of the richest strikes ever | Wood has addressed a letter to the officer in | lines in the west.

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charge of the United States marine hospital at Port Townsend, invoking the aid of the government in providing for the case.

A farmer living near Lacrosse station has hit on a novel method of exterminating squir-rels. He has a deep furrow running around his field, and has several deep pits in the furrow, in which he has placed large barrels about half full of water. The result is that the squirrels are drowned by the wholesale, and all he has to do is to keep water in the barrels and take out the dead squirrels,

The Garfield Enterprise says that Craig nountain, on the Nez Perces reservation, is estensibly the most popular camping-out re-sort in the northwest at present, if reports be true. A man who arrived from there a few days ago reports that there are 150 wagons stuck in the mud on that mountain and that the owners are camped beside their ve-hicles, waiting for the mud to dry up. New teams arrive daily and attempt to get around the mud holes only to hang up in a new one. They are constantly coming, but seldom go-

MISCELLANEOUS.

Crickets are reported very thick about n miles east of Shoshone, Idaho, A four-toot vein of coal has been discov red within four miles of Montpelier, Idaho The Los Angeles oil men are jubilant over

The Hudson reservoir, in Arizona, will over 900,000 acres of land with water one foot deep

The big Boonville stamp mill will be lo-ated at DeLamar, and will cost, when comdeted, \$100,000. Shoshone county, Idaho, has added \$100, 00,000 to the mineral wealth of the world n the thirty-five years of its history.

A ranch near Warm Springs, Cal., has an eucalyptus tree nearly ninety feet high. It was planted some ten years ago, and has never put out branches except at the top. The late frosts have done much damage all through Santa Barbara county, California Fruit has suffered most. Apricots will scarcely be a quarter of a crop. Peaches are not damaged so badly.

A strike of more than usual value and in-terest was made recently in the Planet-Sat-urn mine, at Fool's guich, A. T. The new find was made in a cross-cut that is being made in one of the lower levels.

The Sebastopol, Cal., cannery will be oper-ted this year on a larger scale than ever before, and from 250 to 300 hands will be empoyed during the entire season. This means the circulation of nearly \$2,000 a week in that community. Twenty-three of the principal strawberry

have formed a permanent organization, rep resenting fifty acres of bearing strawberry vines, which, it is estimated, will produce 300,000 pounds of fruit, valued at \$10,000. Advices from Fort Assinniboine, Mont., state that ground has been broken and foundations begun for the new additions to the barracks. There will be five of the ad-

ditions, each 70x26 feet. A brickyard has been established near the post, and brickmaking is now in full blast. Senator John Beard of Alameda county California, ten years ago planted an acre in locust trees. Last season he sold all the trees thereon measuring six fuches in diamster to a sea captain for ship timber, and made \$648 by the transaction, besides cut-

ting thirty cords of wood for use. The original endowment of Pomona college was \$25,000, which was to be retained only if the endowment could be raised to \$100,000 by January 1, 1897. A gift of \$25,000 has just been made to the institution in memory of the late wife of one of the faculty, and the friends of the college feel confident the necessary sum will be raised.

Word comes from Dillon that a corps engineers is running a survey from that point to the new smelter town of Gaylord, end the natural presumption is that it is the intention to connect the latter town with the The new Parrot emelter Gaylord will use Rock Springs coal, and i is supposed that one of the objects in build-ing the new line is to supply that product and to avoid the heavy grades on the Union Pacific between Dillon and Butte and on the Northern Pacific between Butte and White-

That Lewiston may have a railroad much coner than her citizens had hoped, now seems very probable. The Montana railroad will build into Castle, but will not end there. The end of the road will be in the Judith basin, and Lewiston is the point the road is aiming at. It may not be built further than in Seattle is a puzzling one. It is hard to the Musselshell river this year, but the peo-know whether the expense attendant upon the matter should be borne by the state or the locomotive inside of sixteen months. ple of Lewiston will hear the whistle of the locomotive inside of sixteen months. This line will give direct communication with the great mining camps of Montana, develop etto in Britich Columbia, maintained by the her agricultural and mineral resources, bring into Fergus county a desirable class of set-tlers, and be one of the best paying short

-----Current Literature.

"The Early Life of Abraham Lincoln," by lda M. Tarbell, is one of the most attractive and interesting biographies ever published. With large pages, 160 handsome illustrations and a liberat fund of hitherto unpublished teminiscences of Lincoln's early friends and documents never before placed before the public, the story of Lincoln's early life is remarkably interesting. It is written in simple, flowing diction that runs as if without labor, for the writer has so much to tell and every line is greedly devoured by the

reader. S. S. McClure, Limited, New York, "Clarence," by Bret Harte, is a thrilling story of war times. It is full of those de-lightful touches which give to Mr. Harte's work its peculiar charm. His characters drift to Washington, and we have a wonderful picture of the capital during the war. and a portrait of Lincoln that will go far in making the great president's figure familiar to future generations. Houghton, Mifflin &

Very timely comes "A History of the American Tariff," by Eugene C. Lewis, with its graphic review of the causes leading to the adoption of tariff taxes and the various methods applied to enforce and render them efficient. Charles H. Kerr & Co., Chicago.
"History of Monetary Legis atton and the
Currency System of the United States," by
Hon. Robert E. Preston, is a valuable com-

pendium of financial information and will be an important aid to students in tracing the evidences of experience both as to the origin and effects of various legislation on the subject. John J. McVey, Philadelphia. "Tom Grogan," by F. Hopkinson Smith, is one of those novels that purport to deal with the labor question. It is an attack on unionism, and what is worse, it is a blasel. one-sided presentation, striking at labor behind the skirts of a woman. The author is evidently dealing with a problem he but vaguely comprehends, and would have better Tom is a woman, strong, pugnacious and Irish, who carries on the work of contracting, hauling stone and material, begun by her husband, who has died, but whose death she conceals because of the fear that the name would be taken away from her and her business of stevedoring and means of supporting her old father, lame son and daughter, would be gone. Tom's fight is with the local trade union, and the opposition contractor, Dan McGraw, a rather too deeply dyed villain. After trying persuasion and intimidation to force her out of the field of competition, they burn her barns and attempt to kill her, but she comes out triumphant. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Bos

'His Heart's Queen' is the latest story from the pen of Mrs. Georgia Shelden. It is a pleasing romance of the life trials and love affairs of a beautiful young girl. Her victssitudes are indeed trying, and the several lovers who become champions for her heart cause her to learn the severest lessons of this life from the great school of experience. Street & Smith, New York. "Hypnotism Up to Date" Mr. Sydney

Flower aims to aid in rescuing hypnotism

from the clutches of the charlatan," and of preserving it in its natural form to the

world." It is contended that hypnotism is not at all wonderful; that it is a valuable aid to medical science, and that every intelligent man and woman is a hypnotist. Hypnotism, in fact, is described merely as "self-delusion," and in the practice of it there is claimed to be no possibility of harmful effects. Charles H. Korr & Co., Chicago. "Life and Writings of Amelia Bloomer," by D. C. Bloomer, contains a full account of the life of this woman among women. Co cus extracts from her writings are given showing how this pioneer in woman's en-franchisement sought to effect her purpose by advocating woman suffrage, woman's right to an enlarged sphere of employment and consequently to wear a dress that would give her greater freedom of movement. Mrs. Bloomer's strenuous endeavors in advancing the cause of temperance and is securing better educational advantages for girls, as well as her efforts in behalf of the eforms above noted, were inspired, as her iographer clearly shows, by the belief that woman is created man's intellectual, moral and spiritual equal. The book is a store-house of information and anecdotes concerning contemporary reforms and reformers

Arena Publishing Company, Boston. "The Feasts of Autologus" by Elizabeth Robins Pennell opens with a chapter on "the virtue of gluttony," which the author says instead of being ranked with deadly sins, should be honored among the cardinal virtues. What she evidently means, but oes not say, is that the lines should be drawn in a step forward in the direction o securing better food. It is not a cook book, although it treats most fascinatingly of the delights of the table. It contains advice for

breakfasts, lunches, dinners and suppers for all seasons of the year, and this advice is given, not in the manner of a professor of the divine culinary art, but in the etyle and the divine culmary art, but in the style and in the language of an enthusiast and a poet. The Merriam company, New York, "Those Good Normans" by Gyp, translated by Miss Marie Jussen, is presented in the form of conversations. In 300 odd pages of

pungent persiflage we are initiated into the fortunes of the Dutrac family, whose desire to get into society induces them to buy a chalet at a Norman watering place, with a view to embarking Dutrac pere on a political chalet at a Norman watering place with a however, and mean to get the worth of their millions made in trade by establishing cor-dial relations with the nobility and gentry of the neighborhood. In Madame Dutrac Gyp gives us a clever study of hard, cold yulgarity, unredeemed by a single amiable quality. This woman's coarse nature is reproduced in her sons, whom she adores, while her daughter inherits the handsome features and good nature of her father. The spirited dialogue reveals the family characteristics with real art, while it unfolds the numerous incidents of Mme. Dutrac's intercourse with Gribouville society and her difficulties with the Norman servants she en-gages to replace her Parisian ones. Her triumph is complete when she succeeds in arranging a marriage between the only son of the impoverished house of La Roche-Persee and her buxom and well dowered daughter, who, true to her Norman origin, never permits sentiment to interfere with business. Rand, McNally & Co., Chicago BOOKS RECEIVED FROM PUBLISHERS.

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Queen," by Mrs. George Sheldon. Paper; 25 cents.
Rand, McNally & Co., Chicago—"Those Good Normans," by Gyp. Cloth; \$1.
The Merriam Company, New York—"The Feasts of Antolycus," by Elizabeth Robins Pennell. Cloth; \$1.25, "The Scripture Reader of St. Marks," by K. Douglas King,

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John Ireland, 1192 Broadway, New York-"What One Can Do with a Chafing Dish," by H. L. Sawtelle. Board covers; \$1. Scott, Foresman & Co., Chicago—"Read-ing: from the Bible," supervised by the Chicago Woman's Educational union. Cloth;

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